(d) The main reasons for the shortfall in oil production are:—

ONGC

Extended shut down of MHN complex in Western Offshore in 2001-2002.

OIL

(i) Environmental problem in Assam, like frequent bandhs, blocades and miscreant activities.

(ii) Most of the fields being mature and in declining phase, which is a natural phenomenon.

Capital Invested in business institutions by Oil Companies

†1323. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI LAJPAT RAI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that public sector oil companies are making capital investment in foreign and domestic Business Institutions;

(b) if so, the names of the public sector oil companies alongwith the details of the capital investment made by them by December 2002; and

(c) the quantum of capital invested in foreign and domestic companies separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR):(a) to (c) The details of investments made by Oil Public Sector Undertakings in the equity of business institutions/companies incorporated in India and abroad are given in the enclosed Statement.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Details of Capital investments made by Oil Public Sector Undertakings in the equity of Foreign and domestic business institutions/companies upto December, 2002,

(Rupees in Crore)

Sl. No.	Name of Oil PSU	Amount of Investments	
		Foreign	Domestic
1.	Indian Oil Corporation Limited	32.45	5,314.20
2.	Hindustan Petroleum Corp. Ltd.	-	826.54
3.	GAIL (India) Ltd.	-	682.00
4.	Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Limited	-	1,970.72*
5.	Oil India Limited	-	90.82
6.	Bharat Petroleum Corp. Ltd.	-	1,410.15**
7.	Chennai Petroleum Corp. Ltd.	-	12.01

* Includes advance payment of Rs. 27.50 crore for equity share in Petronet LNG Limited

** Includes advance payments of Rs. 24.70 crore for equity share in Petronet CCK Limited and Rs. 27.50 crore for equity share in Petronet LNG Limited.

Crude Oil production by ONGC

†1324. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI LAJPAT RAI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Oil and Natural Gas Corporation produces crude oil in the country;

(b) if so, the names of those areas in the country where crude oil is being produced by the Corporation;

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